

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6048

INFO AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

AMCONSUL CAPETOWN

AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

AMEMBASSY LUSAKA

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 2625

CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, MZ

SUBJECT: FRELIMO CLAIMS CAPTURE OF POST IN CABO DELGADO

1. FRELIMO HQ IN DAR ES SALAAM ISSUED FOLLOWING COMMUNIQUE DATED AUGUST 2: QUOTE ON FIRST OF AUGUST AT 5:30 A.M. FRELIMO FORCES LAUNCHED ATTACK AGAINST PORTUGUESE POST AT NAMATIL IN CABO DELGADO PROVINCE. AFTER FIRST SHOTS THE ENEMY GARRISON, COMPRISING 90 WHITE AND 42 BLACK SOLDIERS, SURRENDERED, AND OUR COMRADES OCCUPIED POST. ENTIRE OPERATION WAS CARRIED OUT WITHOUT ANY BLOODSHED. ALL 132 ENEMY SOLDIERS ARE IN OUR HANDS. THEY ARE COMMANDED BY 2 LIEUTENANTS AND 9 SERGEANTS. WE HAVE CAPTURED ALL MATERIAL IN BASE, AND ARE USING THEIR TRUCKS TO TRANSPORT IT. OUR FLAG FLIES OVER BARRACKS. UNQUOTE.

2. COMMENT: IF THIS IS ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF INCIDENT, IT IS ONE OF MOST SIGNIFICANT FRELIMO DEVELOPMENTS IN RECENT YEARS, CONFIDENTIAL

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SUGGESTING MAJOR SHIFT IN ATTITUDE TOWARDS FRELIMO WITHIN

MOZAMBIQUE. SUCH INCIDENTS WILL ALSO STRENGTHEN FRELIMO'S HAND IN  
ANY NEGOTIATIONS WITH PORTUGUESE.  
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## Message Attributes

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